

# City Administrator Monthly Update April 2014

**By City Administrator Mike Story** 



#### **Administration**

#### **Rialto Water Services**



To better serve you, Rialto Water Services is moving to 437 N. Riverside Avenue. Beginning May 19, this convenient, comfortable location will serve all of your customer service needs. Rialto Water Services looks forward to serving you at this new location! For more information call (909) 820-2546.

# **City Clerk/Management Services**

The City Clerk's Office has launched a new web page utilizing Insite, which is a fully searchable web portal that enables users to view Agendas, Staff Reports and their attachments, easier and faster. This avoids the nuisance of having to wait and download an overly large Agenda Packet. Insite has the ability to search by a word or phrase in a report or browse reports by category. Please contact the City Clerk's office at (909) 820-2519 if you have questions regarding Insite

#### **Rialto's Certified Farmers' Market**

Rialto's Certified Farmers' Market is held every Wednesday, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm. Located at City Hall, vendors sell a variety of fresh vegetables, fruits and nuts at a reasonable cost to consumers. Come out and see what our local growers have to offer!



#### **Rialto Market Night**

Come out and enjoy food vendors, music, and more fun at Market Night! Located at Rialto City Hall, 150 S. Palm Avenue, local vendors will be selling a variety of goods from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm on the following dates:

Wednesday, April 30 Wednesday, May 28 Wednesday, June 25 Wednesday, July 30 Wednesday, August 27 Wednesday, September 24

Come participate in a family-friendly atmosphere, and discover what our local farmers and merchants have to offer!

#### **Economic Heartbeat of Rialto**



Mayor Deborah Robertson's Economic Heartbeat of Rialto can be seen on the Rialto

Network, Channels 3 and 99. It is also available on live stream via the city's web site, <a href="https://www.rialtoca.gov">www.rialtoca.gov</a>. This show is an in-depth interview with local Rialto businesses.

# **Administrative & Community Services**

## **Finance**



Staff has initiated the Fiscal Year 2014/15 budget process with a Pre-Budget Workshop with the City Council that was held on Tuesday, April 1, 2014. The next final Community Budget Workshop is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, June 3, 2014, and final Budget Adoption will take place at the regularly scheduled City Council meeting on Tuesday, June 10, 2014. A copy of the Pre-Budget Workshop meeting can be acquired from the Rialto Network Channel 3 Division at ext. 7235.

#### Recreation

#### Rialto Youth Collaborative Carnival at Rialto City Park

The City of Rialto, in collaboration with Christiansen Carnival Amusements, hosted a carnival at Rialto City Park on Friday, March 21 through Sunday, March 23 2014. The carnival was for the enjoyment of the community at large and included four children's rides and seven major carnival rides, as well as a fun house. As part of the use



agreement, 20% of the event profits were donated to the Rialto Youth Collaborative to help fund programs for Rialto youth including Pride Platoon, Fit 4 Kids, and scholarships for youth to participate in current Recreation sports programs and contract classes. The carnival contributed a total of \$4,417.15 from its profit to the Rialto Youth Collaborative.

#### Spring Eggstravaganza

The second annual City of Rialto Spring Eggstravaganza event will be held Saturday, April 19, 11:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Rialto Civic Center. This year the City of Rialto has once again partnered with the Rialto Branch Library to provide Rialto residents with a spring celebration all are sure to enjoy! Spring Eggstravaganza will include egg hunts, crafts, spring games, and pictures with the Easter Bunny inside the library for a nominal fee. For more information please call (909) 877-9706.



## Cinco de Mayo Celebration

On Saturday, May 3, come out and join the Rialto Breakfast Lions Club who will host a Cinco de Mayo celebration! The event will include their inaugural a 5k Fun Run/Walk

for Sight. Held at the Rialto Civic Center, 150 S. Palm Avenue, the race begins at 9:00 am with carnival rides, games folkloric dance music and food vendors beginning at 12:00 pm. For more information call 909-877-9706.

#### Adult Basketball Returns to Rialto!

Adult Basketball is back in the City of Rialto on Sunday evenings from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm. We have 6 teams this summer season competing for Johnson Center supremacy.

The teams are from Rialto, San Bernardino, Riverside, and one team is made of Rialto youth basketball league coaches. The adult basketball league has proved to be a great way for families to gather and support the physical activity of their parents and friends. Adult basketball will take place year-round and will be just one of the items on the expanding Adult Sports menu.



#### Share Your Talents and Earn Extra Income!

The Rialto Recreation and Community Services division is currently seeking instructors to expand the selection of fee-based special interest classes offered to the Rialto community. If you have a special talent and want to earn extra income teaching it to others, then come and partner with us! We will provide and maintain facilities, handle registration, and provide direct mail advertising to 32,000 residential and business addresses! Call 421-4949 and ask for Jessica Perez.

#### **Human Resources**

## Rialto Community Career Center

The new Community Career Center is now open! Job seekers have access to six computers to assist with job searches, job banks, resume writing, etc. The center provides a printer, fax machine, and other job searching tools at no cost. The Community Career Center is housed in the Human Resources Division located at 246 S. Willow Avenue.

# **Development Services Department**

#### **New Businesses in March**

The City welcomed the following businesses to Rialto during the month of March 2014. The City sent each of these new businesses a welcome letter and a statement of appreciation for choosing Rialto as their business home:

Business Name	Address	Goods/Service
Arturo Lopez Services	993 W. Valley Blvd. #222-223	Repair Services
Bestra Income Tax Services	425 W. Foothill Blvd. #D	Tax Preparation
C & E Maintenance	350 S. Willow #101	Cleaning Service
Dieseltronics Injection	993 W. Valley Blvd. #504	Diesel Injection Repair Service
Downtown Nails & Beauty Salon	240 N. Riverside Ave.	Salon
Downtown Rialto	1424 W. Foothill Blvd. #E	Retail
Eaton Corp	3350 S. Enterprise Drive	Warehouse
El Clon Auto Body & Frame	993 W. Valley Blvd. #516	Repair Service
Emaar Enterprise Inc.	1231 N. Cactus #D	Real Estate
Erick Cabinets	993 W. Valley Blvd. #410	Woodworking Manufacturing
Everrank Investment	371 W. Tullock Street	Plastic Processing
Exoduz Auto Group	612 E. Foothill Blvd.	Auto Sales
F I S Auto Rebuilder	522 W. First #D	Repair Service
Fade Inn Barber Shop	409 S. Riverside Avenue	Barber Shop
First Choice Towing	2775 N. Locust Avenue	Towing Service
Gateway California Realty Corp.	209 N. Riverside Ave.	Real Estate
Green Life Nutrition #7	1274 N. Riverside Ave.	Nutritional Products/Education
H & R Auto Repair And Body	220 S. Date Avenue	Auto Repair
Hidalgo Motors	392 E. Foothill Boulevard	Auto Sales
HP Parts	898 W. Rialto Avenue	Auto Accessories & Parts
Inland Empire Home Health	238 N. Riverside Avenue #C	Business Service

Joe Brothers Customs	735 W. Rialto Avenue #B	Metal Tooling
L & J Wireless	658 Bloomington Avenue #106	Retail Cell Phones & Acc
Mac Towing Services Inc.	241 S. Palm Avenue	Towing Service
Martha Palomino Tax Service	238 N. Riverside Avenue #E	Tax Service
No Limit Wood Design	993 W. Valley Blvd. #412	Woodworking
Prince Mattress	225 S. Riverside Avenue, #10	Mattress sales
Rainbow Auto Shop	993 W. Valley Blvd. #314	Repair Service
Rainbow Nails & Spa	583 E. Foothill Blvd.	Nail Salon
TRP Enterprise	219 S. Riverside Avenue #152	Business Service
UR Bright Prop Repair	993 W. Valley Blvd. #417	Propeller Repair Service

## **City Council Approves Resolution to Surplus Airport Hangars**

The City issued notices of displacement to all Airport tenants and is moving toward closure of the Airport during summer, 2014. Once the aviation tenants have been relocated, the City will close the runways and proceed to demolish the airport facilities, remediate hazardous materials, and ready parcels for development.

On March 25, 2014 the City Council adopted a Resolution declaring the hangars to be acquired by the City as surplus and available for acquisition by other area airports. The City's goal is to facilitate improvements to the general aviation infrastructure in the region, and provide opportunities for displaced Rialto aviators. The City granted authority to donate hangar facilities to area airports provided they agree to move and reconstruct the hangars according to schedule, provide appropriate indemnities, insurances, and provide Rialto's displaced tenants a priority right to lease the facilities at fair market rents.

Several airports including Flabob, Chino, Hesperia, and Riverside have already approached the City about acquiring the used hangars.

## **New Industrial Projects Break Ground near Airport**

While two projects finish construction (Target Distribution and I-210 Logistics Center), three new projects have broken ground within the Renaissance Specific Plan:

<u>Panattoni</u> initiated construction on the I-210 Logistics Center Phase III with the demolition of several vacant homes and a mini-storage facility. Panattoni assembled 15 lots to create the 35.2 acre development parcel that will accommodate a 763,640 square foot industrial building. The \$16.5 million facility should commence formal construction in June, 2014 and be completed approximately 6 months later. This is the third building that Panattoni has developed along Base Line Road, significantly improving the aesthetic quality of this entry into Rialto. The project should create approximately 250 jobs.



Coming soon -- the new DCT Industrial facility at the northeast corner of Renaissance Parkway and Laurel Avenue.



Demolition activity in progress for Panattoni's third project on Baseline Road, west of Linden Avenue.

<u>DCT Industrial</u> commenced rough grading at the southeast corner of Renaissance Parkway and Laurel Avenue. The project consists of a 927,696 square foot industrial warehouse building on a 42.2 acre parcel. The \$20 million project should be completed by the end of 2014, employing approximately 300 persons.

<u>Prologis</u> will soon commence construction of a 677,225 square foot warehouse on Tamarind Avenue. Prologis is currently constructing a detention basin on the east side of Tamarind Avenue, which will then allow development on the west side. The \$13.5 million project should go vertical in June, 2014 with completion scheduled approximately 6 months later. The project should create approximately 200 jobs.

These projects help Rialto improve its jobs/housing ratio. Generally, financially sustainable cities have jobs/housing ratios of 1.25:1 or better – that is, for every housing unit in the community, there are 1.25 jobs. Rialto currently posts a ratio of just under 1:1, consistent with a bedroom community. As the City grows, it must produce more jobs than housing units in order to move the ratio toward the ultimate goal.

#### **Retail Chatter**

<u>Waba Grill</u> commenced construction on a new store at 1290 West Foothill Boulevard in Tudor Plaza. Waba Grill serves teriyaki menu items using all natural ingredients. Waba Grill has approximately 20 restaurants in Southern California.

<u>Brand Growth</u> received site plan approval for 6,000 square feet of new retail shops that will eventually house <u>Chipotle</u> and other restaurant users adjacent to the In-N-Out Burger in the Easton Retail Center. Brand Growth should close escrow by May and begin construction by June with Chipotle and other uses being open by the end of 2014.

<u>Tacos de Gavilan</u> commenced grading at the southeast corner of Baseline Road and Riverside Avenue for its new Mexican restaurant. The construction paused temporarily to allow the restaurant to work out access issues with the adjoining property owner.

## **Planning Commission Summary**

The Planning Commission reviewed the following projects during March:

- Conditional Development Permit No. 738/Environmental Assessment Review 13-39. The Commission approved a request filed by McDonalds to allow a drive-thru fast food restaurant in an existing shopping center located within the C-P (Commercial Pedestrian) zone of the Foothill Boulevard Specific Plan. The Commission also adopted a Mitigated Negative Declaration of Environmental Impact. The site is located at the northwest corner of Foothill Boulevard and Cedar Avenue.
- Conditional Development Permit No. 739/Environmental Assessment Review 13-39. The Commission approved a request filed by Ralph's Grocery Company to allow a gasoline service station in an existing shopping center located within the C-P (Commercial Pedestrian) zone of the Foothill Boulevard Specific Plan. The Commission adopted a Mitigated Negative Declaration of Environmental impact. The site located at the northwest corner of Foothill Boulevard and Cedar Avenue.

- Conditional Development Permit No. 740/ Environmental Assessment Review 13-44. The Commission approved a request by B & B Plastics, Inc. to increase the maximum allowable building floor area ratio by applying nonresidential development incentives for the development of a 151,705 sq. ft. industrial warehouse building within the Employment zone of the Renaissance Specific Plan. The Commission adopted a Mitigated Negative Declaration of Environmental Impact. The site is located at the northeast corner of Locust Avenue and Casmalia Street.
- Conditional Development Permit No. 714. The Commission considered revocation of the Conditional Development Permit to allow live entertainment in conjunction with Culichi Town, an existing restaurant located within the C-P (Commercial Pedestrian) zone of the Foothill Boulevard Specific Plan. The site is located at 611 E. Foothill Boulevard.

## **Building Division Activity**

In March 2014, the Building Division issued 205 building permits and received 59 plans for review, primarily for remodeling, solar installations, and tenant improvement projects. The Building Division also performed 310 building inspections during the month.

Total building permit and plan check fee receipts for the month were \$65,831, compared to \$74,604 for the same month one year earlier.

# **Police Department**

#### Follow Rialto PD on Facebook



Facebook allows law enforcement to connect with their communities, post news and alerts, investigate and even solve crimes using information they collect through the site. It's a great way to get feedback, hear opinions, and engage in dialogue with the community you serve. Keep up with what's happening in your community. Visit us on Facebook at <a href="http://www.facebook.com/RialtoPD">http://www.facebook.com/RialtoPD</a>.

#### **RPD Virtual Neighborhood Watch**

Nextdoor is free for residents! Each neighborhood creates its own private Nextdoor website, accessible only to residents of that neighborhood. Rialto residents can use Nextdoor share information about neighborhood watch issues, local events, and local activities.



Nextdoor was specifically designed to make neighbors feel comfortable sharing information with one another in order to help build stronger communities. Neighborhoods establish and self-manage their own Nextdoor website. Information shared on each Nextdoor site is only visible to members who live in the neighborhood and who have verified their address.

For more information you may contact your area commander, Lieutenant Andy Karol, or the Department's Community Liaison at <a href="mailto:community-communit

#### Fuel for Success - March 2014

Fuel for Success has eight different law enforcement agencies throughout the United States working together with our youth. The program is much more than visits to the race tracks. A wide variety of activities are constantly being implemented to reach out to the students, including design, coloring and Eco-essay contests. For the last five years, the Fuel for Success program has empowered atrisk youth across the United States to endure pressures of daily life and to continue with school and pursue healthy lifestyles.



On March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014, the Shell-Pennzoil NASCAR team along with the Inland Valley SWAT team held its second annual "PD vs. NASCAR" competition. This was a great event and needless to say, the SWAT team brought home the trophy!

For information on future events, please contact Corporal Cameron Nelson at cnelson@rialtopd.com.

#### Golf with a Cop

On February 22, 2014, the Rialto Police Department hosted its second annual "Golf with a Cop" clinic. The clinic was held at the Colton Golf Club and featured instruction by UC Riverside golf coaches, local professional instructors, and special guest PGA Tour Winner Brendan Steele. More than 40 kids participated and the event was a huge success.



For more information of future events, please contact Corporal Cameron Nelson at 909-820-2515 or email to <a href="mailto:cnelson@rialtopd.com">cnelson@rialtopd.com</a>.

### **Police Department Citizens Academy**

The Citizen's Academy is designed to present residents with an understanding of the Police Department's operations, which will provide a greater awareness and understanding of law enforcement's role in our community. Each week, an inside look at police functions will be taught by police executives and veteran officers.

Anyone interested in attending the Citizen's Academy, can download an application and email it to Lieutenant Kathy Thompson at <a href="mailto:kthompson@rialtopd.com">kthompson@rialtopd.com</a> with the subject Citizen's Academy Application. Applications can also be picked up at the Rialto Police Department, 128 N. Willow Avenue.

Class size is limited to about 40-45 attendees, due to site capacity limitations. Preference will be given first to Rialto residents. You must be at least 21 years of age; no felony convictions; no misdemeanor convictions within the last 3 years; and no pending criminal cases. If you have any other questions please contact Lieutenant Thompson at (909) 820-2560.

#### Coffee with the Chief



"Coffee with the Chief" offers residents an opportunity to personally meet their Police Chief and other representatives in a casual setting. At "Coffee with the Chief" community members will learn about the police department, special projects, and other related events.

Please join Chief Tony Farrar for our next "Coffee with the Chief" April 8, 2014 at Carrows Restaurant, 298 W. Baseline Ave., 8:00 am to 9:00 am. "Coffee with the Chief" will be a reoccurring event that will take place the second Tuesday of every month at various locations in the City of Rialto from 8:00 am to 9:00 am. For additional information, or if you have questions, please contact Jeanette Lopez at 909-820-2565, or email to jlopez@rialtopd.com.

## **National Public Safety Telecommunications Week**

Each year, the second **full** week of April is dedicated to the men and women who serve as public safety telecommunicators. The official name of the week when originally introduced in Congress in 1991 was "National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week." In the intervening years, it has also become known as "National Public-Safety Telecommunications Week."

National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week brings celebration, honor, and publicity focused on the otherwise unsung hero on the other end of the line. It's a great opportunity to reflect on the important role of the 911 dispatcher as the *first*, first responder. April also serves as 911 education month, which focuses on teaching the proper use of 911 for aid in emergency.



Thank you to all of you dispatchers who work long shifts and continually serve to provide a lifeline to those in need!

#### **National Police Week**

In 1962, President John F. Kennedy signed a proclamation which designated May 15th as Peace Officers Memorial Day and the week in which that date falls as *Police Week*. Currently, tens of thousands of law enforcement officers from around the world converge on Washington, DC to participate in a number of planned events which honor those that have paid the ultimate sacrifice.

The Memorial Service began in 1982 as a gathering in Senate Park of approximately 120 survivors and supporters of law enforcement. Decades later, the event, more commonly known as *National Police Week*, has grown to a series of events which attracts thousands of survivors and law enforcement officers to our Nation's Capital each year.

The National Peace Officers' Memorial Service, which is sponsored by the Grand Lodge of the Fraternal Order of Police, is one in a series of events which includes the Candlelight Vigil, which is sponsored by the <u>National Law Enforcement Officers</u>

Memorial Fund (NLEOMF) and seminars sponsored by Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S.)

National Police Week draws in between 25,000 to 40,000 attendees. The attendees come from departments throughout the United States as well as from agencies throughout the world. This provides a unique opportunity to meet others that share a common brotherhood. In that spirit, the Fraternal Order of Police DC Lodge #1 sponsors receptions each afternoon and evening during Police Week. These events are open to all law enforcement personnel and are an experience unlike any other.

#### Animal Control Officer Appreciation Week - April 13-19, 2014

The National Animal Control Association is proud to announce its annual national effort to celebrate and promote the continuing professionalism of Animal Control. This week of appreciation will provide recognition for the hard-working men and women of Animal Control that risk their lives and spend huge amounts of personnel resources including time away from family and friends while serving the public; like all the other public safety and law enforcement agencies involved and empowered with the same duties. Let's all say "thank you" to our dedicated Animal Control Officers!

#### **National Volunteer Week**

National Volunteer Week, April 6-12, 2014, is about inspiring, recognizing and encouraging people to seek out imaginative ways to engage in their communities. It's about demonstrating to the nation that by working together, we have the fortitude to meet our challenges and accomplish our goals.

National Volunteer Week is about taking action and encouraging individuals and their respective communities to be at the center of social change – discovering and actively demonstrating their collective power to make a difference. Let's all thank those who dedicate themselves to volunteer their service!



## **Area Community Meetings**

<u>Area 1 & 2 Meeting</u> – Monday, May 12, 2014, Sunrise Church 2759 N Ayala Ave. For more information please contact Lieutenant Andy Karol at 909-820-2526 or email to <a href="mailto:akarol@rialtopd.com">akarol@rialtopd.com</a> / Lieutenant Kathy Thompson at 909-820-2560 or email to <a href="mailto:kthompson@rialtopd.com">kthompson@rialtopd.com</a>.

<u>Area 3 & 4 Meeting</u> - Monday, May 19, 2014, St. Catherine of Siena Church, 339 N. Sycamore Ave. For more information please contact Lieutenant Bill Wilson at 909-421-7276 or email to <a href="wilson@rialtopd.com">wilson@rialtopd.com</a> / Lieutenant Jim Kurkoske at 909-820-2568 or email to <a href="mailtopd.com">jkurkoske@rialtopd.com</a>.

# **Fire Department**

#### **Protecting our Kids Through Prevention**

The Rialto Fire Department is passionate about reducing risks in our community, including those that may not involve fire. As the warm weather approaches, the risks

associated with children and swimming pools also increase, and can lead to tragic outcomes if not addressed. On April  $5^{th}$ , the Fire Department participated in the East Rialto Kiwanis Club's annual Drowning Prevention and Kid's Safety Day, held at the Rialto Racquet and Fitness Center.

The RFD takes an active role in educating our community's youth by conducting our drowning prevention program at events like these, as well as for every first-grade class in the Rialto school district. With the help of the program's mascot, "Stewie the Duck", our firefighters teach children the basics about how to be safe around swimming pools and other bodies of water. Firefighters will continue the training throughout the Spring season, with our goal to be ZERO drownings in our community.



In addition to the drowning prevention portion of the event, Rialto Fire was also available for children's car seat safety demo. Our Fire Prevention staff provided information and instruction on proper selection, installation, and use of child safety seats. The RFD wants to remind our community members about the importance of



properly installed child safety seats. Child restraints and seat belts, when installed and used properly, can prevent injuries and save lives. Research on the effectiveness of child safety seats has found them to reduce fatal injury by 71% for infants younger than 1 year of age and by 54% for toddlers ages 1-4. Children ages 2-6 years old in child safety seats (including child restraints and belt positioning booster seats) are approximately 28% less likely to receive a fatal injury than those using safety belts alone.

Although installing and using child safety seats may seem basic, research shows that approximately 3 out of 4 child safety restraints were installed or used incorrectly. Booster seat misuse was also identified as a safety issue with approximately 41% of them being incorrectly used. The most common form of misuse for all child restraints included loose safety belt attachment to the child restraint and loose harness straps securing the child to the child restraint system.

#### **Earthquake Preparedness**

The recent earthquakes in our area serve as a reminder that as Californians, we need to be prepared for the effects of these natural events. According to the USGS, major earthquakes registering magnitudes between 6.3 and 8.3 have occurred in California every 5.4 years, on average, for the past 200 years. This gives us plenty of reason to prepare ourselves, our families, and our communities to survive these events.

Coincidentally, April is Earthquake Awareness Month and a perfect time to make sure you and your family, community and business, have the tools and information to survive an earthquake or any disaster. Some of the areas that should be considered include:



- Knowing what emergencies or disasters are most likely to occur in your community.
- Having a family disaster plan and have practicing it.

- Having an emergency preparedness kit.
- Having at least one member of your household trained in first aid and CPR/AED.
- Taking action to help your community prepare.

For more information on how you can prepare, visit the California Office of Emergency Services Web Page at <a href="http://www.calema.ca.gov/newsandmedia/pages/preparedness-month.aspx">http://www.calema.ca.gov/newsandmedia/pages/preparedness-month.aspx</a>

## **Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)**

Speaking of helping your community get prepared, the Rialto Fire Department is proud to sponsor Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training for our community members. The CERT program educates people about disaster preparedness for hazards that may affect their area and trains them in basic disaster



response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations. Using the training learned in the classroom and during exercises, CERT members can assist others in their neighborhood or workplace following an event when professional responders are not immediately available to help. CERT members also are encouraged to support emergency response agencies by taking a more active role in emergency preparedness projects in their community.

The classes will be held on two Saturdays, April 26 and May 3, from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm and on April 29 and May 1 from 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm. The classes will be held at Rialto Fire Station 203 located at 1550 North Ayala Drive. Attendance in all four classes is required to receive a certificate. For more information, visit the Rialto CERT Facebook Page at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/RialtoCERT?ref=stream">https://www.facebook.com/RialtoCERT?ref=stream</a>

#### **Weed Abatement**

The warming weather and dry winter means that weeds and other problematic vegetation will be drying out and creating a fire hazard. Open fields in the city can serve as a ripe fuel bed for fires that can spread to structures and other valuable property. In order to minimize this risk, the Rialto Fire Department manages a weed abatement

program that ensures that all property owners clear their lots to protect us all. As part of the program, letters will be sent property owners on April 2<sup>nd</sup>, providing details on how to clear weeded areas so that our fire danger is minimized. Properties that have hazardous amounts of weeds or other vegetation must be cleaned by May 1<sup>st</sup>. For more information on the Fire Department's weed abatement program, please call Fire Administration at (909) 820-2501.



#### **Promotion**

The Rialto Fire Department is proud to announce the promotion or Matt Blanco from the rank of Firefighter/Paramedic to the rank of Fire Captain. As is typical of our promotional processes, there was a highly qualified pool of candidates, and the assessment and selection process thorough and intense. We are very pleased to see the level of effort that our personnel put into preparing and performing in the testing process, and see a bright future for our organization knowing that we have such talent. For the current opening, Matt showed the skill and leadership qualities that are needed for organization,

and the community can be proud that we have people of his caliber leading our department members. Congratulations to Captain Blanco on this career achievement.

# Rialto Fire on Facebook



There's always something happening at the RFD. "Like" us on Facebook to get activities, incidents, pictures, videos, and more!

Join us at https://www.facebook.com/rialtofiredepartment.

## **Public Works**

## Park Clean Up Days

As part of an effort to make the City Parks a better place to play, the Public Works Department is hosting Park Clean-Up Days one Saturday a month from January through November 2014 from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm.

Come join in the raking, trimming, shoveling, sweeping, painting and trash clean-up alongside City's Workers. The final date and location for 2014 is as follows:

April 26, 2014	Andreson Park	726 S. Lilac Avenue
May 10, 2014	Flores Park	1020 W. Etiwanda Avenue
June 21, 2014	Jerry Eaves Park	1485 N. Ayala Drive
July 12, 2014	Fergusson Park	2395 W. Sunrise Avenue
August 9, 2014	Frisbie Park	1901 N. Acacia Avenue
September 13, 2014	Birdsall Park	2611 N. Linden Avenue
October 11, 2014	Kristina Dana Hendrickson	Riverside Ave & Second St
	Cultural Center/Women's Club	
November 8, 2014	Metrolink Station/Downtown	261 S. Palm Avenue

#### **Annual Earth Day Celebration**

Every year the Public Works Department conducts an Earth Day Celebration Event where the community is invited to come out and participate in various activities at several locations throughout the City. This year's event will take place on Saturday, April 26, 2014 from 7:30 am to 12:00 pm with lunch provided to all participants from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm. The following is a schedule of locations and activities:

Time	Activity	Location		
7:30-8:00 am	Registration	246 S. Willow Avenue		
8:00-8:15 am	Opening Ceremonies	246 S. Willow Avenue		
8:15 am to 12:00 pm	Pick up trash/debris and weeds.	Community Garden		
	Place woodchips in pathways.	539 N. Acacia Avenue (Behind Grace		
		Lutheran Church)		
	Pick up trash/debris, weeds and	Birdsall Park		
	place woodchips	2611 N. Linden Avenue		
	Pick up trash/debris, weeds and	Frisbie Park		
	place woodchips	1901 N. Acacia Avenue		
	Pick up trash/debris, remove dead			
	plants and place woodchips	and Cuca's Parking Lot		
8:15 am to 12:00 pm	Weed removal and tree planting	Cactus Avenue (between Etiwanda &		
		Foothill)		
	Weed/tree removal and tree	<u>Cactus Avenue</u> (between San		
	planting	Bernardino and Bloomington)		
	Weed removal and parkway <u>Base Line Road</u> (between			

Time	Activity	Location			
	maintenance	and Meridian)			
	General trash clean up	Andresen Park, Lilac, Willow &			
		Riverside			
	Weed removal and place	Sycamore Avenue (between San			
	woodchips	Bernardino and Randall on the west			
		side of the street)			
12:00 to 1:00 pm	LUNCH	246 S. Willow Avenue			

All equipment and materials will be provided. <u>Transportation will need to be provided to and from each location</u>. Anyone interested in volunteering can contact Amy Crow at (909) 421-7221 or via email at <u>acrow@rialtoca.gov</u> or the Public Works front desk at (909) 820-2602.

# **Capital Improvement Program Project Status Update**

The following is a listing of Public Works active Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Projects currently in design or under construction and a corresponding map of their locations

No.	Project #	Project Title	Description	Budgeted, at 1,000's	Status	Anticipated Construction Date
1	000710	Riverside/I-10 Landscaping	Riverside/I10 Interchange - Bridge Widening completed, landscaping work is anticipated to be completed by the end of Feb.	\$36,000	Construction	Substantially Completed
2	000893	Pepper Avenue Extension- Phase I	Construction of Pepper Ave from it existing terminus above Winchester Drive to the 210 Fwy	\$15,000	Construction	Substantially Completed
3	130811	Pepper Ave- Shamrock/Madrona Widening- Phase IV	Widen a segment of Pepper Ave to provide safety and consistent flow of traffic	\$500	Design & ROW	June-14
4	120808	Metrolink Parking Lot	Metrolink Station Parking Lot Expansion	\$5,700	Design	May-14
5	080803	Rails to Trails	Construct recreational trail along the relinquished Pacific Electric Railway line	\$4,500	Construction	Under Construction
6	090400	City Well #3A	Construction of City Well #3A	\$2,500	Construction	January-15
7	090804	Ayala Drive Widening	Widening Ayala Dr from Baseline to Renaissance Parkway	\$2,650	Right of Way Acquisition	November-14
8	120809	Ped-Countdown	Upgrade Citywide Pedestrian Signals	\$372	Construction	Under Construction
9	130809	Cactus Avenue Widening	Widen a segment of Cactus Ave South of Foothill Blvd	\$500	Right of Way Acquisition	June-14
10	110804	Foothill Blvd Aesthetic Improvements	Construction landscaped Center Median with entry monuments and Bus shelters	No Budget	Inactive	Design Complete -On Hold
11	110811	Baseline Median- Eisenhower HS	Construction Landscaped Center Median	No Budget	Inactive	Design Complete -On Hold
12	CB1301	Community Ctr Rehab Phase III	Renovation of the Building 100 at the Community Center	\$415	Construction	Under Construction

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13	120801	Cedar Ave/Metrolink Drainage System	Construction of storm drain system on Cedar Ave/Metrolink Row	\$731	Design	December-14
14	120802	Traffic Signal at Riverside/Linden include Widening of Riverside Ave	Traffic Signal Installation & Road Widening	\$250	Design	January-15
15	CB1404 CB1304	Annual Curb, Gutter & Sidewalk 2012/13 & 2013/14	Repair, & construction new concrete improvement Citywide	\$537	Design	April-14
16	140804	Annual Slurry Seal 2013/14	Perform Slurry Seal maintenance on roadway	\$900	Construction	Under Construction
17	140803	Annual Street Overlay 2013/14	Perform Street Overlay Maintenance on roadway	\$2,500	Design	October-14
18	130801	Riverside/San Bernardino Improvements	Street Improvement on Riverside & San Bernardino	\$3,000	Design	October-14
19	140204	City Clerk Building Remodel	Renovation of the City Clerk Building	\$355	Construction	Under Construction
20	140204 CB1303	PD/HR Restrooms Remodel	Renovation of the HR Restrooms	\$155	Construction	Under Construction
21	cb1302	Bud Bender Park Rehab.	Renovation of the Bud Bender Park	\$3,000	Design	September-14
22	140811	Cascade Street Improvements	Repair Sinkhole Soil Failure	\$175	Construction	Under Construction
23	140807	Upgrade Traffic Signals Foothill/ Cactus	Traffic Signal Upgrade	\$350	Design	August-14
24	140801	Alder Ave Widening	Widen Alder Ave from Baseline Rd to Easton Ave	\$500	Design	June-15
25	140802	Valley/Cactus/ Linden Widening	Widen Valley Blvd & Cactus Ave	\$500	Design	June-15
26	100214	Roofing Project	Repair Roof of City Facilities	\$420	Design	May-14
27	140303	Frisbie Park Lights	Replace Existing Sports Lights	\$600	Construction	Under Construction
28	140304	Parking Lot Pavemt Resurfacing	Resurface City Park Parking Lots Pavements	\$150	Construction	Under Construction
29	140808	Eucalyptus Ave Widening	Widen a segment of Eucalyptus Ave	\$200	Design	March-14
30	140809	Randall Street Widening's	Widen a segment of Randall Ave & a segment of Linden Ave North of the Carter High School to Persimmon Street	\$500	Design	June-15
31	130808	SR2S-Cedar Sidewalk Improvement	Construction missing Sidewalk and Metrolink Crossing between Metrolink & Merrill Ave	\$496	Design	August-14
32	140201	FS 201 Remodel	Renovation of the FS 201 Dormitory	\$100	Design	June-14
33	140817	Traffic Signal @ Foothill and Home Depot	New Traffic Signal at Foothill & Cedar and Median Improvement on Cedar	\$350	Pre-Design	TBD
34	140818	Traffic Signal Upgrade @ Pepper Ave/Baseline Road	Upgrade Traffic Signal at Pepper/Baseline; concurrent improvement with Pepper Avenue Extension	\$350	Design	September-14

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35	140815	Traffic Signal Upgrade- Baseline/ Acacia HSIP Grant	Upgrade Traffic Signal at Baseline/Acacia under HSIP Grant	\$305	Design	December-14
36	120203	HVAC Replacement	Replace Air Condition System at City Facilities	\$260	Design	September-14
37	140210	PD Training Room @ Annex Bldg	Addition of training room at 429 W. Rialto Avenue	\$160	Design	July-14
38	140816	Traffic Local DIF Study	Provide means to impose a development fee for local streets	\$545	NON-CIP	TBD
39	NonCIP1	Acquisition of City Street Lights & Retrofit-Phase 1	Acquire City Street Lights from Southern California Edison and Retrofit with energy efficient facilities	\$70	NON-CIP	TBD
40	140806	Community Garden	Recommend, design and construct additional Community Gardens	Unknown	Design	April-14
41	NonCIP2	Street Sign Management	Complete inventory of street sign and assessment to MUTCD standards; acquire a management system with a GIS platform to manage citywide signage upgrades.	\$50	NON-CIP	TBD
42	140813	Riverside I-10 Bridge over UPRR	Riverside Avenue overhead at Union Pacific Railroad Tracks Bridge Replacement	\$30	Design	TBD
43	140302	Park Fencing	Replace fencing at Frisbie Park	\$40	Design	TBD
44	RUA CA	Dystor Lid	Install lid on Digester #1	\$350	Design	TBD

## **Award Construction Contracts/Approve Professional Services Agreements**

During the month of March 2014, the City Council approved the following Public Works items:

- 1. Award a Construction Contract for the Police Station & Human Resources Restroom Remodel
- 2. Approve a Professional Services Contract for Environmental & Civil Engineering Design Services for the Riverside Avenue UPRR Bridge Widening Project

# Authorization to Release Requests for Bids (RFB's) or Request for Proposals (RFP's)

The following RFB's/RFP's were released in the month of March 2014

- RFP No. 14-054 Street Sign Management Program
- RFB No. 14-052 2013/2014 Citywide Roof Repairs Project
- RFB No. 14-066 Tree Trimming and Removal Services

## **Solid Waste Management News**

### Community Clean-Up Day

Community Clean-Up Day is scheduled for April 12, 2014, 8:00 am to 3:00 pm. The following are events that will be taking place:

➤ Shred Fest – Protect your identity. Shred your personal papers for FREE. Bring in your papers to the south parking lot of City Hall across the street from the post office.



Household Hazardous Waste - Our Household Hazardous Waste Site, 246 S. Willow, will accept your used motor oil and filters, paint, household cleaners, pesticides, weed killers, batteries, syringes, fluorescent bulbs, medications and other household chemicals. We cannot accept explosives, medical waste, abandoned waste, or business waste. This site is free to all residents of San Bernardino County.



Used Tires - Rialto City residents can bring up to 9 used tires to the Public Works Office at 335 W. Rialto Ave on Community Clean-Up days free of charge. We will not accept tires from businesses, including semi-trucks.



➤ **Electronic Waste** – Bring your televisions, microwaves, computers and monitors, and other electronics to the south parking lot of City Hall to be recycled. **Businesses are welcome**.



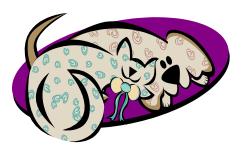
➤ **Usable Items** – The Salvation Army will be accepting usable household items (such as clean clothing, furniture, sports equipment, etc.) in the south parking lot of City Hall.



#### **Special Collection**

As you start your SPRING cleaning ...let's not forget to help out our furry friends!

It's that time again to clean out your linen closet and get rid of those tattered bath towels and old blankets you have been holding on to. The City of Rialto Animal Control can use those old linens in the care of lost and abandoned cats, dogs, and other pets. Their staff will be on hand to accept your donations on Saturday, April 12th, at the south parking lot of Rialto City Hall.



Rialto City Hall
(South Parking Lot)
150 S. Palm Avenue
Saturday, April 12, 2014
8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Help the lost and injured animals in our community by donating one or more of the following:

- Dog, Puppy Cat & Kitten Food (both Wet & Dry)
- Towels and Blankets
- Toys
- Kitty Litter and Litter Boxes
- Dog Biscuits and Cat Treats
- Puppy and Kitten Formula
- Pet Carriers and Cages
- Dog and Puppy Shampoo, Conditioner, Flea Dip
- Food and Water Bowls
- Brushes and Combs
- Small Wading Pools
- Newspapers

- Dish Soap
- Leashes and Collars
- Horse Halters and Leads
- Horse Watering Containers
- Stable Forks
- Horse Fly Masks

For more information call: City of Rialto Waste Management 909-421-7221